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Comments:

In reviewing the proposed Medicine Bow Landscape Vegetation Analysis (LaVA) project, I note that you have indicated the presence of a road in the Black Cat Forest just North of Prospect Road. I also note that you have not indicated plans to treat the forest mechanically or with fire. I agree that the area should not be treated. The area already has the characteristics of a wilderness area, the river corridor is already noted as being wild and scenic, and the forest is critical wildlife habitat and forest on the West side of the North Platte River. It also provides a connection between the Savage Run Wilderness, Prospect Creek Wilderness Study Area, and Platte River Wilderness.

I strongly encourage you to remove the road marked on your maps and to designate the Black Cat Forest as a Wilderness Study Area with the intention of connecting it to the Savage Run Wilderness.

Sincerely,
Spencer Hirst